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Ministributional armangements before the first by Stalin. The contribution of the institutional armangements before the time by Stalin. The contribution of the police power (ultimately the pills of Stalin's periodal typacky of Party effort) after 1930 should not obscure the fami that the traditional levers of Party efforts, factioned by Stalin, are still very much in operation; and Exhaustoher has his banks on those levers. These are the apparation-the Secretariat of the Central Cormittee, the power of which has just been emanded by the decision of the November Plenum to enlarge it—the CO Presidium, the CO Barsan for the RIFER, and the Contral Cormittee itself. As early as June, 1957, Exhaustohev's victory over the "anti-Party group" showed that he had successfully built a stable machine in the Central Cormittee. Following the defeat of MALETWOY, MCLOTOV, & Co., he moved to form a majority for himself within the Presidium. This majority enabled him to realize the reforms of 1957-59, during the period of his greatest accendancy, and apparently continues, with ups and downs, to support him on most issues. It is now, however, an automatic majority on every issue, nor can we assume that the members of the Precidium do not need a considerable amount of convincing before proposals made by the First Secretary are madepted. It is in this proposals of convincing that the Precidium both exerts a moderating influence on Ehrochem's ebullished and tendency to go to extremes, and compale changes in proposals hall before it.

From the point of view of <u>institutional</u> strength, Khrushchev stands to lay about where Stalin spood in 1930, as the tire of the "Congress of Tintorsk". But neither the institutions, nor the historical circumstances, are today when they were then.

We live worth aiming a note here on SUSICY. We find it difficult to understand but Suslow can be considered either an actual or potential rival, or a consistent opponent, of Khrushchev, when we know that, at the culmination of the struggle with the "anti-Party group", the mist surloud origins of Khrushchev's career, the only two who sto d by him in the Presiding were KENTAN and Suslow. Moreover, Suclow chaired the Cantral Condition Plenum of June, 1957, which disposed of the anti-Khrushchev foction. Of course, people change; but Suslow was on the side of agriculture in the discussions last spring on the resource allocation problem. (Embassy's D-969, May b, 1960). The notion that Suslow heads a "Stabinist" opposition to Khrushchev within the Issistance that the a journalistic emballishment. He did, however, in a speech in early 1969, take a divergent spand on contain aspects of peaceful coeffictens and the embath to which they have been discondited and has not been as sweeping as some other Soviet leaders in denunciation of the Contributions of Stalin.

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More important, Ebruthable 'inotibur as we can know these things' issues than anythe early appear to explore the distribution of "Ventit". We recommised to this better than anythe early to a special to a distribution of Stain's style of outliers to the control of the santiablation of things included to the control of a second of the santiablation of things in the santiablation of things in the santiablation of this santiablation of this santiablation of the santiablation that the santiablation the building of socialism in the TSTE, with its clear intibation that the State-understand pariod, both widthe the France and among the populate at large, is over. He has also east of the deciring of applicables estimatement, traditionally used to justify the heightening of domastic bensions and the application of repressive measures. It would be wrong to infer than he is some cont of liberal-mindel reformer (as Stalin implied when he colled him a marked extent, but his actions vis-avis the Party have pretty obsarby sized at orapiding a large irrational dictatorship—what he himself calls the "resonnation of the limits norms of intre-Party life"—one in which consercs would replace, to a marked extent, the cabals of Stalin's

What is valid in the Minguratives of totalitarianism! view, and what some of those who subscribe to it may really be trying to say, is that any political system decards the creation of a cymbril, or say of symbols, in behalf of which the people's allagiance can be invoked, and totalitarian systems 'at least, those with which we are so far familiar, demand the terromification of symbols to a degree which far acceeds that occurs in concerning. "The Party is all very well for many, both party and not calculated to appeal to non-venture. "lenin" serves for many, both Party and non-Party alike, but, despite the elaborate oult which has been created around him, is clearly not fall by the leadership to be enough. "Khoushohev", and the cult created around him it is substantial', is thus necessary. (This is a triit, meally, of national political importantly, and a non-totalitariem, but underdeveloped, country like India stand as much in need of this crutch as the Natis or Corrumisto.)

This, combined with the continuing and even-urgant prescoupation of the leadership with the problem of lagiourage, still not really solved even after 15 years, makes it bighly desirable that the prints interpretations have many becomes the symbol be maintained as long as that in at all possible. We leatership has a lot invested in "Whrusholmey", however it way respond the man himself at any given point in time, and the problem commacted with his passing from the sours are such as to give effective pause to those of his peers who maints be tempted to hasten it. This situation, in curm, gives him a leverage he can raise good use of union entreme ofmcurstances. (Stalin told the Foliaburo, "You are blind like young kitters." After I die, the imperialists will continer you" and the sought, are no down still wondering at their look in having escaped this face. In spins of the character class policy financies leadership, but area, there are are signs which organise that he go longer has the finan-consting swam he held from the time of the provided of the Thati-Tarry years in the two progetty, the New, 1960, Flenom. As for an director offlicter and politics are conserved and in is in this area that most high-level difference are apparently conserved; this pair in this distances by its mifference are all the raise intestic changes with Normashonev himself: the 1957 economic reorganization, the NTS medium and the first heavy intestinant in distance of 1957, the commodition of the Semen-Marke-Tlan Jentral Figures at a COT Farry Contract in Light. The story of the contract of these measures was preferred by a referred of the master at himself.

The last few years, on the other hand, dirig a shrether different sivils of leadership on Minuschew's part, even through his indifferent strength has remained approximately the same. Breat deference conditions to be point to the First Secretary, but governmental actions said to stan from his personal initiative have become rare. Whereas he still interrupts and balgery other spainers at machings in bloc countries (in Bulgaria and Rumania, during his trips there this past apring), he was a model of perliamentary tocome during the March and Movether, 1960, and sanuary, 1961) which itself with similar problems. In short, he no longer seems able (some would say builling), but we should not agree! to impose his tentional views and ram home his per orogents in the face of high-level opposition or recalcitrance. (This should not surprise us really, for Stalin could not be so either before the Great Purge. It is interesting to recall in this connection Stalin's telegram of September, 1936, to the Politours in which he said, in effect, that the Purge was four years late in getting stanted. If Stalin could be thwarted on so important at issue in 1931, then, allowing for all the differences between the cituation in the early 130's and that town, there does not appear to be any compelling reason to accribe policy-rething ormicotance to Khrushchert.)

Differences of opinion within the Presidium on two major detection problems bear out this contention, and point toward a thyarting of Enrushment's will. These are the prolonged argument over the proper proportions for Soutieb recourses allocation and the question of further action against manbars of the "anti-Party group."

On the first point, Hogley, SPEINEY, TORONOV, PONOMINEY, and SHTEPEN appear to have espoused the view that the Percy must continue its traditional priority emphasis on you follow group, infle enother group of Predition and Secretariat members, led by Minushahay, has sugged for increasing investments in agriculture and light industure. For the resum, an unstable of promise appears to have been reached. Significantly notionating the position he took in the winter and apping of 1961, Flamushahay at the Coverber, 1961, Pleaun emplicitly admixed the princity status of heavy industry. At the same tine, he soughed this admixed expense with another swips at formwises who wear motal blinders and reaffirmed his personal interest in increasing inventance in the observed industry their has a claim to be regarded as both theory? and light, a

The problem with the "anti-Party group" is, of source, whether to engal them from the Party, which, it seems to us, as blearly Mhrashohev a personal disart. For a variety of measure, enough of all leadership has boylled as the notion to

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When we turn to possible differences within the farty leathering to foreign-policy questions, the hard facts on which to form judgments are so weight than we are, in the main, reduced to fluibless speculation.

Although it is reasonable to postulate the emintures crown the members of the top Party leatership of varying approaches to foreign-policy matters, the application of the terms "doynasist" and "opposition" seems rather Procrustean. The former overstages the presumptive consistency and compresses of the views that may be supposed to be held by those who do not completely, or always, earne with the manner and content of Whrushohav's approach to foreign policy; the latter emaggerates the autent to which one may compose, on the basis of what we can observe, the emissioned of a group which holds a more or less unified view and is characterized by stability of membership.

While some managers of the Seviet leaderchip have taken positions which are more conservative than Ehruchomevia (Morlow, for emarphe, has done so fairly consistently), there is nothing in the present composition of the loaderchip that leads us to conclude that Ehruchohev is confronted by a firm group of opponents on all iscues. Not can we find any convincing evidence that any group or individual within the present leadership would radically alter Soviet strategy if Ehrushohev were suddenly to depart the scene.

## The November, 1932, Fleruit.

Turning to the November Plench, we can quite sufsly dionies any notion that the Soriet retreat on the Suban issue had a causal relationship with the decisions it adopted. There were numerous signs belowhend of the var in which the leader-ship apprehenish the Ajor problems conforming it and the possible approaches to them that the Planum would be called upon to endot, although there was also emident a large measure of injects/locate. And the sweeting recognization of Party bodies ordered by the Planum, although quibe resolutionary if fully implemented, looks in many measures like a parameter effort, are larger implications of which seen hardly to have been perceived.

Concerning the percental changes enacted as a result of the Plumin's decisions, we should consider first of all the algorificants of the maw Secretariat expointments. Although the full import of the ourrant reshuffling of caires will become clear only in the course of time, some preliminary conclusions can be cown even now.

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Thus, Khrushshër's position mathin the Destratement event street expectations, and the position of the Secretarist itself, we believe, is encared by the introverse in increaseromip plus the resting of high-lamel functional restantibilities in the four new Secretaries.

This does not necessarily near that a Providing versus Setretaries contest will errue, for Mirashchen, Madler, and Sasiam got on both bodies, end in any case the differences in views between losians and also on the same Ferry organs are true important in a Sature power struggle than a sahematic justaporition of these organs themselves would suggest.

One source of potential discretished and possible tripble can be seen in the RSFSR Bureau, however. The struction at the top is muchy right now. We know that THERMOV, the former Go May Cokin First Secretary that the Pleasure I wasted to Candidate-Memberchip in the President, had become a First Deputy Madruan of the Bureau, but it is impossible to say yet whether Thomas has retained his First Deputy Chairmanchip of the Bureau now West he has been shifted to the lesser job of Chairman of the SUPSA Council of Minister. There scours to be some intentional reticence on this points, the requality our divise resting of the RAFFR Supreme Sowiet afforded the regime any number of continuo constitutions to make known the operation composition of the CAFFR Supreme, in the second production were retired to which for some and the second composition of the CAFFR Courses, and not once, appears to have borded of its former luceur vani possibly its attribution as a power uses through the prestical alongside the of Mour aviitional CS Surses.

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The situation as the top, as asseris, in thus one of unusual flucilty. Sudden changes and even radical culfus, banded is ruled out. There appears to be a good deal of threshing about on pulicy matreau (evenus on the cultural-infellectual some have provided the most wivide evidence of this recently, and there are undoubtedly some leaders who think that Minushoher has locathic touch. Next April he will be 60. How much larger he are keep going at his ourrent place is anybody's guess; ours is, mather shortly, than larger.

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